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REMARKS

The undersigned thanks the Examiner for his time and cooperation during our recent interview. The Applicant herein responds to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment included with the Office Action of May 7, 2004 and submits further claim amendments in accordance with the subject matter of the Interview of April 29, 2004. Claims 27-32 were presented in Applicant's Amendment filed March 26, 2004, the Remarks of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

Independent claims 27 and 30 are amended herein to clarify the novel features of the invention. As noted in the Amendment filed on March 26, 2004, the prior art fails to teach or suggest the claimed memory registers that correspond to memory addresses on addressable memory indicating the downloaded portion of the content data. The Examiner is referred to the Amendment filed on March 26, 2004 for detailed arguments supporting this statement.

Additionally, independent claims 27 and 30, as amended herein, recite that the downloaded portion of the content data can be determined without accessing the addressable memory. This function was discussed at the interview and the Examiner agreed that the prior art of record did not provide such an advantage. For example, the Examiner noted that modern recording technologies permitted various tracks to be used and combined in various manners. However, it was agreed that such technologies require that the memory be accessed to render the content in order to determine how much of the content is to be, or has been, used. Further, such technologies do not teach or suggest the claimed memory registers that store a flag element in the claimed manner. Accordingly, such technologies do not solve the problem addressed by the claimed invention, i.e. efficiencies and limitations in downloading content and managing the downloaded content, especially when the download is to resource constrained devices.

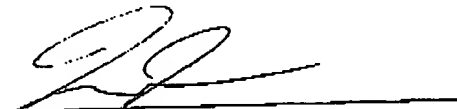
For the reasons noted above and in the Amendment filed on March 26, 2004, independent claims 27 and 30 are believed to be allowable. The dependent claims are believed to be allowable at least by virtue of their dependence from one of claims 27 and 30.

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In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for immediate allowance and a notice to that effect is respectfully requested. However, if the Examiner deems that any issue remains after considering this response, he is invited to call the undersigned to expedite the prosecution and work out any such issue by telephone.

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